

APPLICATIONS

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APPLICATION AT
ladpu.com/BPUApplication

All applications for Los Alamos County Boards & Commissions must be submitted online.

Paper copies are not available.

HOW DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

If you need assistance, or have any questions regarding the vacancy, we are happy to help you.

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In the Search field drop-down, select
“Board of Public Utilities”

APPLICATION PROCESS

There is currently one vacancy for the term of
July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028.

Applicants will be contacted to interview with a committee comprised of the BPU chair, utilities manager, council liaison to the BPU and one additional councilor. The interview committee will make recommendations to County Council. The council will then conduct final interviews at their regular public meeting on May 23 and will appoint the new member to begin serving on July 1, 2023.

TIMELINE

These dates may be subject to change.

- **March 13** - Application window opens.
- **April 27** - All applications due by 11:59 p.m. (no exceptions).
- **April 28** - DPU begins contacting all applicants to schedule interviews.
- **May 4** - Last day for committee to conduct interviews.
- **May 23** - County Council conducts public interviews and appoints the new member at their regular meeting. Applicants must be available on this date. (6:00 p.m.)
- **June 7 & June 21** - The selected appointee is invited to attend the BPU work session and the regular meeting as a guest (both begin at 5:30 p.m.)



REPRESENT YOUR COMMUNITY

BE PART OF SOMETHING THAT
MATTERS TO EVERYONE!



APPLY

FOR THE
LOS ALAMOS COUNTY
BOARD OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES

Accepting applications from
March 13 through April 27, 2023

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Thurs. 4/27/2023 at 11:59 pm

LOS ALAMOS
Department of Public Utilities
Electric, Gas, Water, and Wastewater Services

What is the BPU?

The Board of Public Utilities (BPU) is the governing body of the Department of Public Utilities (DPU). Under the jurisdiction and control of the BPU, the DPU provides the county with electric, water, gas and wastewater services.

The BPU consists of five County Council-appointed voting members, the Utilities Manager and the County Manager.

Through policy direction, the BPU guides the DPU senior management team to create a “**high-performing community-centric utility contributing to its future with innovative and diversified utility solutions.**”

Members of the BPU work together with the DPU to serve and represent the interests of the whole community, regardless of a member's own personal preferences and beliefs.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for appointment, an applicant must

- be 18 years or older;
- be a resident of the county for a minimum of one year prior to the date of appointment;
- be registered to vote in the county;
- not hold any public office or be an employee of the County government;
- not conduct any business with the DPU except as a consumer.

An LAC board cannot have a super majority of any one party. The current makeup of the BPU allows for applicants to be registered under any party affiliation.

How long are the terms?

BPU members serve five-year terms, which begin on July 1st and end on June 30th. Member term expirations are staggered to provide continuity. Each member may reapply to serve an additional five-year term.

Department of Public Utilities MISSION • VISION • VALUES

MISSION

- Provide safe and reliable utility services in an economically and environmentally sustainable fashion.

VISION

- Be a high-performing community-centric utility, contributing to its future with innovative and diversified utility solutions.

VALUES ~ We value...

- CUSTOMERS by being service oriented and fiscally responsible;
- EMPLOYEES AND PARTNERSHIPS by being a safe, ethical and professional organization that encourages continuous learning;
- ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES through innovative solutions
- COMMUNITY by being communicative, organized and transparent.

SHOULD I APPLY?

YES!

If you meet the eligibility requirements, have a selfless desire to serve the community and think your knowledge and experience might be an asset to the BPU, then you are encouraged to apply.

STRENGTH THROUGH DIVERSITY

Having in-depth knowledge of the utilities industry is **not required**. Having a diverse group of members is extremely important and only strengthens the BPU's ability to serve the interests of *all* customers through sound leadership actions and policies.

What are member duties?

Each decision and action of the BPU affects how the DPU operates, which ultimately affects the citizens of Los Alamos County. For the BPU to function effectively, each member must:

- faithfully attend BPU meetings;
- review materials and come to meetings prepared;
- prepare reports when necessary;
- participate in discussions;
- adhere to policies and procedures;
- represent the interests of customers, not personal agendas;
- rotate attendance at quarterly Boards and Commissions luncheons;
- accept and fulfill assignments negotiated by the BPU chair.

Additional duties of the BPU, according to the County Code of Ordinances (Section 40-42), can be found online at:
ladpu.com/BPUDuties

When does the BPU meet?

Meetings and work sessions of the BPU are open to the public, held in a hybrid manner, recorded and posted online for future viewing. BPU members and staff typically meet in Council Chambers and the public may choose to attend in person or participate remotely via Zoom. Work sessions are held at 5:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Regular meetings are held at 5:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. Special meetings are scheduled as necessary.

**APPLY BY
APRIL 27, 2023**